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MEMORANDUM FOR

THE DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE

SUBJECT: Political Intelligence Collection (C)

Thank you for your 7 December memorandum on political intelligence collection. I am impressed by the progress you have made in recruiting new assets and in exploiting progress made by the PIWG. Please express my appreciation to all those who have done the good work reflected in the memorandum. (C)

I will keep in mind the obstacles you have cited, and will do what I can to help alleviate them. I urge that you do all possible, in establishing your ZBB rankings, to see that human source collection does not suffer unduly in these days of tight budgetary ceilings. Keeping the proper balance between technical and human source collection programs is the best guarantee we have of obtaining the intelligence we need to deal successfully with the varied problems we face. The content of your memorandum shows that the field operators make good use of the resources given them. It is up to the managers to give them the resources they need. (C)

Zbigniew Brzezinski

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